

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

Replace the claims with the following rewritten listing:

1. (Currently Amended) Rimless spectacles comprising:

a pair of lenses ~~(1)~~,
a bridge piece interconnecting the respective lenses ~~(1)~~,
a pair of hinge pieces ~~(2)~~ arranged at the outer side edges ~~(9)~~ of the two lenses ~~(1)~~, and

a pair of temples each having a hinge connecting element for connecting each temple to a respective hinge piece ~~(2)~~,

characterised in that

wherein each hinge piece ~~(2)~~ comprises an abutment part ~~(4)~~ having an abutment surface ~~(7, 14)~~ extending parallel to and in abutment with a side surface ~~(5)~~ of the respective lens ~~(1)~~,

wherein ~~that~~ each respective lens ~~(1)~~ is provided with at least two holding holes ~~(10, 11)~~, which open to said side surface ~~(5)~~ thereof,

wherein ~~that~~ at least two corresponding pins ~~(8, 8')~~ are fastened to the abutment part ~~(4)~~ of each hinge piece ~~(2)~~ and extend into said holding holes ~~(10, 11)~~ of the lenses ~~(1)~~, and

wherein ~~that~~ the at least two pins ~~(8, 8')~~ are rigidly connected to the inner side surfaces of their corresponding holes ~~(10, 11)~~.

2. (Currently Amended) Rimless spectacles according to claim 1, wherein said at least two pins ~~(8, 8')~~ extend from the abutment surface ~~(7, 14)~~ where the abutment surface ~~(7, 14)~~ is in abutment with the side surface ~~(5)~~ of the respective lens ~~(1)~~ and into the holding holes ~~(10, 11)~~.

3. (Currently Amended) Rimless spectacles according to claim 1 ~~or 2~~, wherein said pins ~~(8, 8')~~ are in a close fit with the corresponding holding holes ~~(10, 11)~~.

4. (Currently Amended) Rimless spectacles according to claim 3, wherein the close fit is a transition fit or ~~preferably~~ an interference fit.

5. (Original) Rimless spectacles according to claim 3, wherein the close fit is a tapering fit.
6. (Original) Rimless spectacles according to claim 5, wherein the tapering fit is a conical fit.
7. (Currently Amended) Rimless spectacles according to ~~any of the preceding claims~~ 1, wherein an adhesive is provided between said pins ~~(8, 8')~~ and the inner side surfaces of the corresponding holes ~~(10, 11)~~.
8. (Currently Amended) Rimless spectacles according to ~~any of the preceding claims~~ 1, wherein an adhesive is provided between said abutment surface ~~(7, 14)~~ of the abutment part ~~(4)~~ and said side surface ~~(5)~~ of the respective lens ~~(1)~~.
9. (Currently Amended) Rimless spectacles according to ~~any of the preceding claims~~ 8, wherein said side surface is ~~the~~ a front side surface ~~(5)~~ of the respective lens ~~(1)~~.
10. (Currently Amended) Rimless spectacles according to ~~any of the preceding claims~~ 1, wherein said holding holes ~~(10, 11)~~ extend from said side surface ~~(5)~~ of the respective lens ~~(1)~~ to ~~the~~ an opposite side surface thereof.
11. (Currently Amended) Rimless spectacles according to ~~any of the preceding claims~~ 1, wherein said hinge pieces ~~(2)~~ are cut from sheet metal.
12. (Currently Amended) Rimless spectacles according to claim 11, wherein at least one of said pins is formed integrally with said hinge pieces ~~(2)~~ from a blank of sheet metal as tabs ~~(8')~~.
13. (Currently Amended) Rimless spectacles according to claim 12, wherein said tab or tabs ~~(8')~~ are bent to extend inwardly from the abutment surface ~~(7)~~ of the abutment part ~~(4)~~.

14. (Currently Amended) Rimless spectacles according to claim 12 ~~or 13~~, wherein at least one of said pins ~~(8)~~ is made from metal wire, which is fastened to said abutment part ~~(4)~~.

15. (Currently Amended) Rimless spectacles according to ~~any of the preceding claims 1~~, wherein each of said lenses ~~(1)~~ is provided with an indentation ~~(12)~~ in said side surface ~~(5)~~ thereof, ~~the a~~ surface of which indentation ~~(12)~~ is in abutment with said abutment surface ~~(7, 14)~~ of the respective hinge piece ~~(2)~~.

16. (Currently Amended) Rimless spectacles according to claim 15, wherein ~~the a~~ depth of said indentations ~~(12)~~ and ~~the a~~ thickness of the hinge pieces ~~(2)~~ are of similar dimensions, so that ~~the an~~ outer side surface of the hinge pieces ~~(2)~~ is substantially flush with said side surfaces ~~(5)~~ of the lenses ~~(1)~~.

17. (Currently Amended) Rimless spectacles according to ~~any of the preceding claims 1~~, wherein the hinge pieces ~~(2)~~ are made from

a first metal wire ~~(16)~~ extending parallel to said side surface ~~(5)~~ of the respective lens ~~(1)~~, ~~the an~~ outer end of the first metal wire ~~(16)~~ being ~~bend bent~~ to form a first pin ~~(8)~~ extending inwardly into a corresponding first holding hole ~~(10)~~ of the lens ~~(1)~~, and

a second metal wire ~~(17)~~ extending parallel to said first metal wire ~~(16)~~, ~~the an~~ outer end of the second metal wire ~~(16)~~ being ~~bend bent~~ to form a second pin ~~(8)~~ extending inwardly into the corresponding second holding hole ~~(11)~~ of the lens ~~(1)~~, wherein the first metal wire ~~(16)~~ and the second metal wire ~~(17)~~ are fastened to each other along ~~the a~~ distance ~~(18)~~ they extend in parallel.

18. (Currently Amended) Rimless spectacles according to claim 17, wherein the second metal wire ~~(17)~~ extends between said side surface ~~(5)~~ of the respective lens ~~(1)~~ and said first metal wire ~~(16)~~.

19. (Currently Amended) Rimless spectacles according to ~~claim 15 and to claim 18~~, wherein said indentation (12) is dimensioned to accommodate the second metal wire (17).

20. (Currently Amended) Rimless spectacles according to claim 19, wherein said indentation (12) is dimensioned so that ~~the~~ a part of the first metal wire (16) extending beyond the second pin (8) and to the first pin (8) is in abutment with said side surface (5) of the respective lens (1).

21. (Currently Amended) Rimless spectacles according to ~~any of the preceding claims 1~~, wherein ~~the~~ edges of the holding holes (10, 11) facing the abutment part (4) are chamfered.

22. (Currently Amended) A hinge piece (2) suitable for being arranged at ~~the~~ an outer side edge (9) of a spectacle lens (1) ~~and having, comprising:~~

an abutment part (4) with an abutment surface (7, 14, 15) extending parallel to a surface (5) of the intended lens (1),

~~which wherein the~~ hinge piece (2) is cut from sheet metal and comprises at least one pin (8, 8') formed integrally with the hinge piece (2) from a blank of sheet metal as a tab (8'),

~~which wherein the~~ at least one pin (8, 8') extends from said abutment surface (7, 14, 15) and into a corresponding holding hole or holes (10, 11) of the intended lens (1) opening to said side surface (5) of the lens (1).

23. (Currently Amended) A hinge piece according to claim 22, wherein the at least one tab (8') is bent to extend inwardly from the hinge piece (2) relatively to the intended lens (1).

24. (Currently Amended) A hinge piece according to claim 22 ~~or 23~~, comprising at least two of said tabs (8').

25. (Currently Amended) A hinge piece according to ~~any of~~ claims 22-24, comprising at least one pin ~~(8)~~ made from metal wire, which is fastened to said abutment part ~~(4)~~ and extends from said abutment surface ~~(7, 14, 15)~~ and into a corresponding holding hole or holes ~~(10, 11)~~ of the intended lens ~~(1)~~ opening to said side surface ~~(5)~~ of the lens ~~(1)~~.

26. (Currently Amended) A hinge piece according to any of claims 22, ~~24 or 25~~, wherein the at least one pin ~~(8, 8')~~ extends in ~~the~~ a plane of the abutment part ~~(4)~~ parallel to ~~the~~ side surfaces ~~(15)~~ thereof.

27. (Currently Amended) Rimless spectacles comprising
a pair of lenses ~~(1)~~,
a bridge piece interconnecting the respective lenses ~~(1)~~,
a pair of hinge pieces ~~(2)~~ arranged at ~~the~~ outer side edges ~~(9)~~ of the two lenses ~~(1)~~, each hinge piece ~~(2)~~ having an abutment part ~~(4)~~ with an abutment surface ~~(7, 14, 15)~~ extending parallel to a surface ~~(5)~~ of the corresponding lens ~~(1)~~, which hinge piece ~~(2)~~ is cut from sheet metal and comprises at least one pin ~~(8, 8')~~ extending from said abutment surface ~~(7, 14, 15)~~, and

a pair of temples each having a hinge connecting element for connecting each temple to a respective hinge piece ~~(2)~~,

wherein each respective lens ~~(1)~~ is provided with at least one holding hole ~~(10, 11)~~, which opens to said side surface ~~(5)~~ thereof and corresponds to the at least one pin ~~(8, 8')~~ of the respective hinge piece ~~(2)~~, each respective lens ~~(1)~~ is provided with an indentation ~~(12)~~ in said side surface ~~(5)~~ thereof, the surface of which indentation ~~(12)~~ is in abutment with said abutment surface ~~(7, 14, 15)~~ of the respective hinge piece ~~(2)~~, and the at least one pin ~~(8, 8')~~ is rigidly connected to ~~the~~ inner side surfaces of the corresponding holes ~~(10, 11)~~ and the abutment surfaces ~~(7, 14, 15)~~ are rigidly connected to the corresponding surfaces of the respective indentations ~~(12)~~.

28. (Currently Amended) Rimless spectacles according to claim 27, wherein ~~the~~ a depth of said indentations ~~(12)~~ and ~~the~~ a thickness of the abutment parts ~~(4)~~ are of

similar dimensions, so that ~~the~~ an outer side surface of the hinge pieces (2) is substantially flush with said side surfaces (5) of the lenses (1).

29. (Currently Amended) Rimless spectacles according to ~~any of the~~ claims 27-29, wherein ~~the~~ edges of the holding hole or holes (10, 11) facing the abutment part (4) are chamfered.

30. (Currently Amended) A hinge piece (2) suitable for being arranged at ~~the~~ an outer side edge (9) of a spectacle lens (1), which hinge piece (2) ~~is made from~~ comprises:

a first metal wire (16) extending parallel to ~~said~~ a side surface (5) of the intended lens (1), ~~the~~ an outer end of the first metal wire (16) being ~~bend~~ bent to form a first pin (8) extending inwardly into a corresponding first holding hole (10) of the lens (1), and

a second metal wire (17) extending parallel to said first metal wire (16), ~~the~~ an outer end of the second metal wire (17) being ~~bend~~ bent to form a second pin (8) extending inwardly into a corresponding second holding hole (11) of the lens (1),

wherein the first metal wire (16) and the second metal wire (17) are fastened to each other along ~~the~~ a distance (18) they extend in parallel.

31. (Currently Amended) A hinge piece according to claim 30, wherein the second metal wire (17) extends between said side surface (5) of the intended lens (1) and said first metal wire (16).